

tions between the United States and Germany continue, it is declared, Germany would be isolated by America's self-imposed isolation, since a preponderance of power in the various treaty commissions would fall to France.

WORKERS' ARMY IS FOUND LEADERLESS

Dutch Correspondent Describes Scene at Wesel.

AMSTERDAM, March 26 (delayed).—The workers' army, which continues to besiege Wesel, is undisciplined and leaderless, and men are bleeding to death in the trenches for lack of doctors and nurses, according to the picture which the correspondent of the Handelsblad presents of conditions on the German relief front which he visited. The whole is suggestive of a comic opera war, he adds.

The correspondent, who is M. Nyspe, the writer who recently visited Russia for this newspaper, indicated the general staff of the workers' army to permit him to spend two days with the left wing of the army. The roads in back of the lines are packed with thousands of refugees, the correspondent telegraphs. The uniforms of "nurses" dressed in the uniform of the Red Cross crowd motor lorries or ride horses which are badly needed at the front. The sunners have to pull their own ambulances.

"At the front before Wesel," says the correspondent, "the Reds fired their guns without preliminary observation and patrol went out without instructions. The troops were sent into the firing line without leaders, while other soldiers returned without orders, and still others died for lack of medical attention."

"While food is plentiful at the front, the field kitchens are away to the rear. The lack of communication between the various sections of the army resulted in losses on each side."

"There is the utmost confusion at the front and a total lack of discipline. One hungry but sincere Socialist commander told the correspondent that 'it was no longer a Red front but a Red mess, there being four women to every man.'"

"It would seem that every woman of the proletariat in the Ruhr district was behind the lines, continuing the correspondence, but despite this state of affairs the rebels have made some progress simply because when one soldier tries of fighting he goes home and two others replace him."

The headquarters of this unique army is in the Town Hall of Duisburg, says the correspondent, where one sees more confusion. It is necessary to apply to the Soviet Executive Council for the most trivial things.

There is much looting and wanton destruction in the villages of Hambourg where it is said all the windows have been broken.

MOVIE LECTURER RULES SAXON TOWN

Burgmaster of Falkenstein Fled During Recent Coup.

By the Associated Press.

FAKENSTEIN, Saxony, March 25 (delayed).—Workers have taken over control in town and cities of lower Saxony, but there is an impression their ascendancy will be short lived, as they are not sufficiently organized in a military way to resist pressure successfully.

In this little town, tucked away in a pretty valley fifteen miles from Plauen, Max Hebel, whose regular job is lecturer in a moving picture theatre, is directing affairs. It is asserted there is no Soviet here. The burgmaster fled when the upheaval came two weeks ago, and workers have since been co-operating with the other town officials, some of whom have been removed. The principal task of the workers is policing the town.

EBERT UNABLE TO ATTACK IN RUHR

French See Danger in Execution of Peace Treaty.

PARIS, March 27.—The Allies have not yet given the Germans permission to send troops into the Ruhr district. The French continue to insist that military occupation of the neutral zones by Germany would further endanger execution of the peace treaty, declaring that there would be no way of getting them out again except by force.

It is pointed out regarding possible guarantees that the Germans have proposed nothing explicit beyond vague supervision by the Allied Commission, which is regarded in French official circles as totally inadequate. The proposed Allied occupation of Frankfurt and Darmstadt is also regarded by the French as ineffective and likely to result in nothing more than the engendering of hatred.

REDS FIRMLY HOLD CHEMNITZ.

Communists Prepared to Resist Government Troops.

By the Associated Press.

CHEMNITZ, Saxony, March 26 (delayed).—Communists are firmly entrenched in control here and prepared to resist attacks by government troops which may be sent against the city. In the event the troops get control, a general strike may again be called. Heinrich Brandner, chairman of the executive committee of the workers, declared today his followers were closely co-operating with workers in the Ruhr valley.

"We do not expect an attack, as the Government's forces are too weak," he said. "But if it comes we will resist."

There are 12,000 men under arms in this district and Herr Brandner said the workers' leaders could call upon not only the workers of Chemnitz, who make up 92 per cent of the population, but those of the entire Vogtland and ore mountain regions.

The executive committee today sent a number of demands to the Saxon Government. It asked that the siege of Leipzig be raised; that officers of the Reichswehr be dismissed; that Dresden students and volunteers be disarmed; that miners be armed and placed under control of the executive committee of workers; that the Government be remodelled so that workers could be given guarantees and that a new Saxon legislature be elected.

DANES TO ORDER LOCKOUT.

Employers Decide to Retaliate Against Workers' Demands.

NEW GUN IN FRANCE EXCELS BIG BERTHA

Mystery About Cannon With Range That Is Estimated at 100 to 150 Miles.

PRINCIPLE KEPT SECRET

Hints Given of Reservoir Arrangement to Make Gases Break Recoil.

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PARIS, March 27.—France's long range cannon, reports regarding which have been current in Europe for some time, has become a chief topic of discussion here, since England has paid the destructive monster the compliment of expressing concern about it in the House of Commons.

Anticipating whatever reply the French Government may make to Great Britain, the French press is treating its readers to a fulsome description and analysis of the successor to the German "Big Bertha." Indeed, judging by reports here, this great French cannon could easily tumble down the lower cliffs and perhaps knock Nelson off his pedestal in Trafalgar Square.

It is generally believed here that range of this cannon, at its present stage of development, is between 100 and 150 miles. However, some commentators disagree with this.

M. Berton, Minister of Hygiene and Social Welfare, and formerly Under Secretary of the Interior, discussing the new cannon said:

"A man by the name of M. de la Marquise perfected the plan for this great firing piece. He applied a new and interesting principle in artillery—namely, that it is possible for a cannon to absorb and survive a most violent recoil. We constructed ten cannon in experiments before we perfected the present one."

M. Berton did not tell the secret of the construction of the cannon, but added, enigmatically, that it was not greatly different from an ordinary cannon.

One of the Paris newspapers prints the following description of the cannon by an anonymous artillery expert:

"The cannon burns powder in a certain kind of a reservoir, and is so constructed as to give the shell, when fired, the greatest velocity. The lateral grooves of the cannon's walls are so disposed as to permit all the burning gas to escape in the rear, which has the effect of creating a reaction against the recoil. This arrangement makes possible a very high pressure from the reservoir to give a tremendous velocity for the shell and a very low pressure in the barrel of the cannon, whence the shell is ejected."

"We obtained an initial velocity of 700 meters a second, and there is no reason why this should not be increased tremendously."

U. S. ATTACKED BY PAPERS IN BOLIVIA

Call Us Victims of False Reports Given by Peru.

LA PAZ, Bolivia, March 26 (delayed).—Attacks on the United States are published by *Tempo* and *Diario* to-day, which say that the American attitude, influenced by false information furnished by Peru, is creating unpleasantness for Bolivia and her neighbor States.

The newspapers declare the American Government should seek the truth regarding the situation, which they say would show that Peruvians provoked the recent untoward incidents. The United States should give no further credence to the utterances of Chancellor Porras of Peru, the newspapers say.

The attitude of Peru toward Bolivia is declared to be similar to that adopted toward Chile some time ago, when, according to *Tempo* and *Diario*, the Peruvian Government invented tales of alleged persecution of Peruvians in Chile. Both the newspapers call attention to what they term the rude and insulting attitude of Chancellor Porras toward Bolivia. The latter country, the journals say, did not take any military measures during the recent controversy.

RUHR BANK DEPOSITS SEIZED.

Manifesto Bars All but Proletarian From Voting.

BERLIN, March 27.—Duisburg reports to the *Vossische Zeitung* say that the Workers' Executive Committee has issued a manifesto demanding vigorous continuance of the struggle in the Ruhr district. All bank deposits and all unrationed foodstuffs are declared confiscated by the manifesto. The police and Burgmaster will be dismissed and only men who favor the proletarian dictatorship will be allowed to participate in the elections.

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POLICE NOT SPREAD ALL OVER IRELAND

Prisoners Arriving Throughout the Day at Mountjoy Jail in Dublin.

TWO M. P.'S. UNDER ARREST

Magistrate Bell Murdered "With Less Regard Than a Dog," Says Attorney.

DUBLIN, March 27.—Prisoners from various parts of Ireland have been arriving all day at Mountjoy Jail. Heavy military guards accompanied them.

Philip Shanahan, Sinn Féin Member of Parliament and prominent in local Sinn Féin activities, was arrested to-night.

Laurence Ginnell, Nationalist member of the House of Commons for the North Division of Westmeath, was arrested to-day for the second time by the military and police.

Mr. Ginnell was previously arrested in 1907 for contempt of court, and on conviction was sentenced to six months' imprisonment. He served the term at the jail in Dublin.

A formal verdict that death was due to bullet wounds caused by some persons unknown was returned by the coroner's jury which investigated the murder yesterday of Magistrate Bell. The members of the jury expressed abhorrence at the crime and tendered their sympathy to the widow.

Attorney Peadar, representing the relatives of the Magistrate, characterized the crime as "cold, heartless and savage." He declared Magistrate Bell was "deserving of less regard than if he had been a dog," and said the murder was obviously the result of a conspiracy.

The coroner stated that Mr. Bell had been engaged on "social-political work which apparently was deemed a sufficient cause to mark him down for destruction." He expressed the opinion that those concerned in the outrage would be identified, although it was committed in broad daylight. Witnesses testified that after the murder he usually strode quietly off. They were not rough looking but appeared to be ordinary respectable men, the witnesses said.

The impact on the body of the young, well dressed man found yesterday in a field at Buncrana Bridge, near Newcastle West, failed to reveal his identity. He was blindfolded and his hands were tied behind his back. The man had been shot dead, and it was considered he was a victim of the murder campaign.

THURLES, County Tipperary, Ireland, March 27.—James McCarthy, a youthful baker, was called to the door of his home early this morning and shot dead. The victim recently received a warning that he would be attacked.

McCarthy's brother declared several men surrounded the house and fired on his sister as she was running for a priest and a doctor.

The story cabled yesterday from Paris that cables belonging to the Commercial Cable Company passing through Ireland have been cut is incorrect, according to the company's announcement. A land line through Ireland supplementing the cables was cut on Thursday night, but was restored within twenty-four hours.

CALLS IRISH CRISIS GRAVEST IN HISTORY

Dublin Writer Says Country Is Drifting to Anarchy.

LONDON, March 27.—"The gravest crisis in the whole Irish history," is the description applied to the present situation by the Dublin correspondent of the *London Times*, in reiterating that the country is fast drifting into anarchy.

"The Irish public views current events with profound dismay and sickness of heart," he says, "and is amazed and frightened at the Government's failure to recognize the facts of the situation."

Public officials, it is said, live under the shadow of murder; some are unable to leave their houses day or night. Murder societies are completely organized and are aware of the movements of all officials, who on their part are equally cognizant of their dangers.

Knowing that the sympathies of the telegraphers in the state service are largely with the conspirators, they do not use the wires to transmit official information.

The news columns of the *London Morning Post* are dominated by the Irish trouble; they give the greatest prominence to the murder of Magistrate Bell, while some treat the case of William O'Brien, a Dublin Alderman, who is on hunger strike, as equally serious.

"The *Times* condemns the Government's attitude towards O'Brien as calculated to inflame that body of Irish opinion wherein, it says, the salvation of Ireland must ultimately depend. The paper declares itself forced to believe that the situation has passed entirely beyond the Government's control, and thinks that Irishmen have begun to accept with sullen acquiescence open war on the Government."

The *Daily Chronicle* and *Morning Post*, on the other hand defend the treatment of O'Brien. They contend that the Sinn Féin has shown itself to be essentially a military society, and an O'Brien is a Sinn Féin agent who is involved in the murder conspiracy, which neither he nor the other leaders have ever denied.

POLICE NOT TO BLAME FOR MAYOR'S DEATH

Investigation of Murder Completely Absolves Them.

CONG, Ireland, March 27.—A full and complete investigation of the whereabouts of the police on the night of the murder of Lord Mayor Mac Curtain has proved that none of them was off his post or away at his home at the critical hour, the Government counsel, Mr. Wylie, today told the coroner's jury which is conducting an inquiry into the murder.

Mr. Wylie said that a system of books was kept at the barracks in such a manner that the movements of the men were checked and showed it to be impossible for any to give the shell, when fired, the greatest velocity. The lateral grooves of the cannon's walls are so disposed as to permit all the burning gas to escape in the rear, which has the effect of creating a reaction against the recoil. This arrangement makes possible a very high pressure from the reservoir to give a tremendous velocity for the shell and a very low pressure in the barrel of the cannon, whence the shell is ejected.

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BOLSHEVIKI WIN AGAIN

Towns Along the Slutch Are Captured, but River Is Not Crossed.

By the Associated Press.

WARSAW, March 27.—Poland has sent a wireless message to the Russian Bolshevik Government proposing April 10 as the date for meeting Soviet delegates with a view to negotiating for peace. Boryson (Borznov), fifty miles southwest of Lemberg, is suggested as the place for the meeting.

The Poles say that if the Bolsheviks agree to this date and place the Polish army will cease fighting for the time being.

Russian Soviet forces, swinging south of the Pripiet marsh between Most and Pinsk and attacking Poles at various points over a front of approximately 250 miles, have captured several towns along the Slutch River. It is admitted in official statements issued at Polish army headquarters. The enemy, however, has been unable to cross the Slutch River, which parallels the front for a long distance, despite persistent efforts.

Bolshevik attacks on Wednesday were chiefly directed toward the village of Olekiv. The Bolsheviks advanced in four heavy columns of infantry, preceded by cavalry. Following hard fighting, the attack was repulsed by the Poles, who then counter-attacked and inflicted what are described as "heavy losses" on the enemy.

In the neighborhood of Zaslavl the Poles virtually annihilated a Soviet brigade, among the killed being a Bolshevik colonel. On his person were found orders directing that Zaslavl be taken regardless of the cost. The town is still in Polish hands, but savage fighting is centering about it.

POLISH LEGATION DENIES RED VICTORY

Bolshevik Attacks Repulsed, Is Warsaw Report.

Special to The Sun and New York Herald.

WASHINGTON, March 27.—At the Polish Legation in Washington today no credence was given to the rumors of Bolshevik successes on the Polish frontier with the accompanying claim that Warsaw had ceased to be the capital of the Republic and that the Government had retired to Bromberg in Polish Posen.

The despatch from the Polish War Office said: "On the whole southern front (and on the Polesian sector the Bolsheviks launched attacks. All attacks were repulsed."

"In view of the activity of the Bolshevik propagandists in Germany and elsewhere reports of Bolshevik successes are to be seriously doubted until proven," Gen. Brynk said. "I do not think that

RUSSIANS IN BERLIN ORDERED ARRESTED

Extensive Police Raid Nets All Foreigners in City.

BERLIN, March 27.—An extensive police raid was carried out in Berlin this morning and all foreigners who had not reported themselves were arrested. The *Freiheit* says that among those taken by the police are numerous Russians, who have been detained in Alexander Barracks. An order, it is understood, has been issued for the arrest of all Russians in Berlin.

DUTCH PREPARING TO DEFEND FRONTIER

Plans Formed for Mobilization of Three Levies.

THE HAGUE, March 27.—Under advice given by the Central Communist and Independent Socialist leaders in Berlin that the fighting in the Ruhr region be stopped, the laborers' councils in the Ruhr district again have approved an armistice with the Government troops and are endeavoring to persuade the militant laborers to cease hostilities. It is learned here.

At the same time, according to despatches to the Dutch press, the rebels appear to have penetrated some parts of Wesel, where, it is claimed in the official communique issued by the revolutionary headquarters at Essen, the Government troops are still holding the line of forts, while the attackers desire to take before agreeing to an armistice.

Preparations to meet any emergency at the frontier have been made by the Dutch Government, according to authoritative information given the Associated Press this afternoon. Plans have been perfected for the instant mobilization of three levies of the Second Division, and if it becomes necessary civic guards and volunteer corps from some frontier villages will be called to arms.

A fugitive from Wesel who reached Muenster, as well as many correspondents who have been going to the scene from nearby points, insist that the workmen's strength lies chiefly in the Russians and other foreigners with them.

MADRID ALLOWS NO INCREASE.

Tenants Can Be Evicted Only for Non-Payment.

MADRID, March 26.—A bill prepared by the Parliamentary Committee has been introduced in the Chamber fixing a tax on rents of apartments. The measure provides against an increase in the present prices of rents for apartments, as a great proportion of these are for industrial uses.

Tenants, according to the bill, can be evicted only for non-payment of rent. A tribunal will be established.

CHINESE RETURN HOME FROM WAR.

VICTORIA, B. C., March 27.—More than 1,000 Chinese coolies left here today aboard the steamer M. S. Dollar on the last leg of their journey home from France, where they worked behind the British lines. Approximately 2,000 remaining in camp here will sail for China later. A strong guard is kept about the cantonment where they are lodged.

REDS LOSE ODESSA, GAIN DENIKINE BASE

Ukrainians Occupy Black Sea Port and Bolsheviks Are in Novorossisk.

PARIS, March 27.—Odessa, the great Russian port on the Black Sea, has been occupied by Ukrainians under Gen. Pavlenko, commander of the Ukrainian National Army, according to information received today by the Ukrainian mission in Paris.

LONDON, March 27.—Novorossisk, the last base in southern Russia under control of Gen. Denikine, has been captured by the Russian Bolsheviks, according to a wireless despatch from Moscow.

CONSTANTINOPLE, March 26.—News from the Russian Volunteer Army in the Crimea seems unsatisfactory. The Bolsheviks have recaptured Perekop, on the isthmus between the peninsula of the Crimea and the mainland, and out-

breaks have occurred at different points behind the Volunteer lines.

Members of the British mission at Novorossisk are reported to be embarking.

VIADIVOSTOK, March 19.—Evacuation of eastern Siberia by American troops will be completed by about April 1, in the opinion of officers here. The transport Thomas sailed on March 19, with Colonel Morrow and 1,500 men of the Twenty-seventh Regiment, and the South Bend, which will leave on March 22, will take 2,000 more American soldiers. The remaining force of 1,000 men, with General William S. Graves and his staff, will depart on the Great Northern late this month. The Americans have been in Siberia a year and a half and have seen service in the Khabarovsk region and in Trans-Baikal.

Withdrawal of Czech-Slovak troops in Siberia is more than half completed, and it is expected the forces still in this country will have left for home by June 1.

CHRISTIANIA, March 27.—Finnish forces at Patachana, in the Mur Mur region, burned the monastery and several other buildings there before abandoning the place to the Russian Bolsheviks, according to telegrams arriving at Tromsø. Occupation of the place by Soviet troops occurred on March 22.

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